

EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY  
THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS  
REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 5, 2000

MEMBERS PRESENT: LaMarr Franklin, Linda Schwallie, Anne Marie Rathburn, Anita Kropf, Douglas Knight, Susan Kell, Susan Putra, Cornelia Gordon-Hempe, Muriel Harper, Virginia Heinemann, Peter Fabian, Lynn Gauger, Colleen James (arrived 1:45 p.m.)

LEGAL COUNSEL: John Schweitzer

STAFF PRESENT: Kimberly Nania, Karen Rude-Evans

CALL TO ORDER

Chair LaMarr Franklin called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Amendment: -Letter from Joe Leean

MOTION: Susan Kell moved, seconded by Cornelia Gordon-Hempe, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2000

Correction: -On page 2, under REPORT OF SOCIAL WORKERS SECTION, change the first and second sentences to read, "...ASWB program committee and was also on the ballot for member at large. Cornelia Gordon-Hempe..."

MOTION: Susan Kell moved, seconded by Virginia Heinemann, to approve the Minutes of September 13, 2000 as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS ON PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND  
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

These reports were informational.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING BOARD MEMBERS TESTIFYING AS  
EXPERT WITNESSES

The Ethics Board has issued an opinion recommending Board members consider ethical issues when asked to testify as an expert witness in court. If a Board member is asked to be an expert witness, the Board member should contact the Ethics Board for guidance.

## 2001-02 LEGISLATIVE SESSION BILL DRAFT REQUESTS

John Schweitzer updated the Board on the bill draft requests. All bills not passed died at the end of the legislative session and will need to be reintroduced.

### SUPPORT DELINQUENCY PROGRAM

John Schweitzer reviewed the Support Delinquency Program with the Board.

### REPORT OF SOCIAL WORKERS SECTION

Cornelia Gordon-Hempe wrote to DHFS Secretary Joe Lekan to assure that the Social Worker Section is notified when DHFS social workers are reprimanded, suspended or terminated for reasons directly related to social work practice.

### REPORT OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS SECTION

Colleen James reported the Professional Counselors Section is considering a possible rule change to clarify the use of the Professional Counselor Training Certificate.

### MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS SECTION

Lynn Gauger reported that legislation that would allow MFT candidates to sit for the exam prior to completion of supervision, and legislation to create a MFT Training Certificate will be re-introduced in the next legislative session as both separate and joint legislation.

The MFT Section will be suggesting to Secretary Cummings to convene a task force to address eTherapy and eHealth issues.

Lynn Gauger stated she hopes that when, or if, the psychotherapy licensure bill passes, that supervision language will be more uniform across the professions.

### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

The informational items were noted.

### ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Anita Kropf moved, seconded by Lynn Gauger, to adjourn the meeting.  
Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

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